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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents

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Re: Application of Javier PUEVO MOLINA, Jorge PALLAS MORENO,  
Nil VALLVE I BERTRAN, and Rafael FERRER RUIZ, Rafael entitled  
IMPROVEMENTS IN THE ASSEMBLIES OF TEETH OF EARTH  
MOVING MACHINES  
**Assignee: METALOGENIA, S.A.**  
Our Ref: Q80842

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 10/089,596 (Confirmation No. 2493) filed August 16, 2002 of Javier PUEVO MOLINA, Jorge PALLAS MORENO, Nil VALLVE I BERTRAN, and Rafael FERRER RUIZ, entitled IMPROVEMENTS IN THE ASSEMBLIES OF TEETH OF EARTH MOVING MACHINES, which is a National Stage Application filed under §371 of PCT Application No. PCT/ES00/00364 filed September 28, 2000.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, seventeen (17) sheets of drawings (Figures 1-27), and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also, enclosed are 1) a Preliminary Amendment, 2) an Information Disclosure Statement, and 3) a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Examiner Meredith C. PETRAVICK in Group Art Unit 3671.

This is a divisional of Application No. 10/089,596, filed August 16, 2002, which is a National Stage Application filed under §371 of PCT Application No. PCT/ES00/00364, filed September 28, 2000; the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference. The international application was published in the English language on April 12, 2001, under Publication No. WO 01/25550.



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Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Spain	9902161	October 1, 1999

Priority has been claimed under the International Convention from October 1, 1999.

Applicant claims benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.27.

After entry of the Preliminary Amendment, the Government filing fee is calculated as follows (**Small Entity fees apply**):

Total claims	<u>8</u> - 20	= <u>          </u> x \$9.00 = <u>          </u> \$0.00
Independent claims	<u>1</u> - 3	= <u>          </u> x \$43.00 = <u>          </u> \$0.00
Base Fee		<u>                                </u> \$385.00

**TOTAL FILING FEE**                                 \$385.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$385.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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